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Sir:

This submittal is considered to be fully responsive to the office communication mailed September 23, 2005 requesting additional information from the Applicant and/or assignee under 37 CFR 1.105.

In the Detailed Action of the Requirement for Information mailed September 23, 2005, the Examiner presented two separate information requests.

First, the Examiner requested that the Applicant and the assignee provide "the title, citation and copy of each publication that any of the applicants relied upon to draft the claimed subject matter." The Applicant and the assignee are not aware of any "non-patent literature, published application, or patent (U.S. or foreign)...that relates to the claimed invention" (see, 37 CFR 1.105(a)(1)(iv) that should be brought to the attention of the Examiner (such as on an IDS). The Applicant has, however, indicated in the first paragraph of the specification that the patent

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application was related to U.S. Pat. Appl. No. 09/712,136 and is more than willing to provide any specifically-identified, non-patent literature or documents that the Examiner may later request.

Second, the Examiner requested the Applicant and assignee to "state whether any search of prior art was performed." Applicant and/or assignee did not order a patentability search as part of preparing and filing the patent application or order such a search after the patent application was filed. Further, the Applicant and assignee could find no records indicating that an informal search of the prior art has been performed. Hence, Applicant and assignee are not aware of any search of the prior art that needs to be reported to the Examiner as part of this reply.

No fee is believed due for this submittal. However, any fee deficiency associated with this submittal may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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